LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT	Financial Aid Update December 1, 2023
FAFSA Simplification	It was announced on November 15th that the FAFSA will be released by December 31, 2023.
Update	"Students and families will be able to complete and submit FAFSA forms online by Dec. 31. We expect applications to peak in late January and February 2024. The new FAFSA will allow students and families to use federal tax data transferred directly and securely from the Internal Revenue Service. Once the application is complete, students will receive a confirmation email including their estimated Student Aid Index and Pell Grant eligibility"-DOE
	Below are a few links to helpful information.
	FAFSA Release Update
	<u>FAFSA Changes Overview</u>
	Financial Aid Toolkit for College Personnel
	FSA YouTube Channel
	For those staff who work closely with students through the financial aid process, the Department of Education has released a prototype. Click here to access the prototype.
	At this time, we anticipate that the CA Dream Act Application will also become available on December 31st, but the date has not been released. For CADAA updates, please click here .
Increase in Students Receiving the Pell Grant	As of Friday, December 1, 2023, we have an increase of 2,183 students receiving the Pell Grant. This is 2,183 more students than all of 2022-2023. Kudos to the Financial Aid team!
	ARC Financial Aid: Currently recruiting for two Financial Aid Technicians and one Financial Aid Officer.
Financial Aid Personnel Changes	DO Financial Aid: Currently recruiting for Director of Financial Aid and Financial Aid Specialist.
	FLC Financial Aid: Currently recruiting for Financial Aid Officer.
	SCC Financial Aid: Currently recruiting for a Financial Aid Officer and two Assistant Financial Aid Officers.
SCC Financial Aid Office Move	The Financial Aid Office at SCC will be moving from Rodda North to the Student Services Building. This move is great for our students—Financial Aid and Admissions will be in the same building and will share a service counter. Financial Aid Officers

will have private offices to meet with students. Official communication will be sent out once the move is complete.

As we close out 2023, we'd like to extend our appreciation and gratitude to the entire Financial Aid team for their hard work and dedication to student success.

Happy Holidays to all and we wish you a prosperous and healthy New Year!

For more information: https://employees.losrios.edu/our-organization/departments-and-offices/student-services